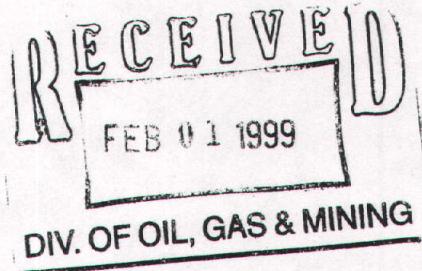


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Feb. 1, 1999

Dear Wayne,

Please find accompanying our annual reports for 1998 mining activities. I am also aware that I have not yet remitted required fees for 1998 which were due in July of last year. We made a couple of dubious decisions with regard to sub-contract work, and had some other unfortunate incidents that have really kept us broke. I am very sorry that fees have not been paid, and will catch them up as quickly as I am able.

There is just a very long line of folks with their hand out requiring money from mine, and there just hasn't been the money to make good on these obligations. I will do my best.

Sincerely,
Bill Brown